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FOR: METHOD FOR DETECTING THE :

MODIFICATION OF A

CHARACTERISTIC OF A SAMPLE CAUSED BY AN ENVIRONMENTAL

INFLUENCE

## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated February 3, 2010, for the above-identified patent application, please consider the remarks below and amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.